Sinking of wells for the use of the depressed classes.

285. **MR. K. MADHAVAN** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state the number of wells completed during the year 1104 for the use of the members of the depressed classes ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : Thirteen.

Warders of women prisoners in Lock-ups.

286. **MRS. ELIZABETH KURUVILA** (*Nominated*) : Are the Government aware that women prisoners in the lock-ups are looked after entirely by men warders ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : Yes. In the Central Jail women prisoners are looked after entirely by women warders.

MRS. ELIZABETH KURUVILA (*Nominated*) : My question was with regard to police lock-ups. Do the Government think it possible to make some arrangements so that women in the Police lock-ups can be looked after by women ? I refer to ' under-trial prisoners.'

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : The answer supplies additional information to the member. There is no such scheme, as the member wants, now before Government. The question will be considered.

Treatment of juvenile and grown-up offenders.

287. **MRS. ELIZABETH KURUVILA** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state whether juvenile offenders are confined in the same cells along with grown-up offenders ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : Juvenile offenders are generally sent to the Reformatory School. If any be admitted in the Central Prison, they are not confined in the same cells with grown-up offenders. In Police Stations when accommodation is not available, they are confined in the same lock-up along with grown-up offenders.

Allotment of timings to buses in South Travancore.

288. **MR. V. CHELLAM PILLAI** (*Tovala*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether all the timings that have been already allotted to bus owners in South Travancore are availed of regularly ;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the negative, the number of timings that were not availed of by the respective bus-owners in South Travancore during the last 4 months (up to 1-12-1104) and the reasons, if any, for the same ;

(*c*) whether they are aware that timings are being refused to registered buses on the plea that no timings are available in the Trivandrum-Nagercoil line ;

(*d*) whether they intend limiting the number of buses that may ply for hire between Trivandrum and Nagercoil ;

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